



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 142/003/PCT; 03-766)

PATENT

In re Application of: Light et al.)
Serial No.: 09/582,492) Before the Examiner: J. Switzer
Filed: March 6, 2002) Group Art Unit: 1634
For: Detection of Human Papilloma)
Virus in Papanicolaou (Pap) Smears)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 26, 2003

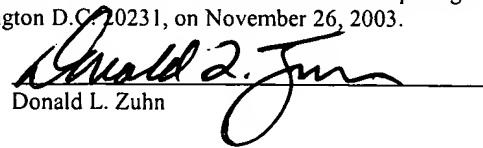
Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 26, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments. Pursuant to revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including marked up versions of all currently amended claims, at pages 2-3.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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